

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows, hereby canceling claims 37-46, without prejudice or disclaimer of Applicants' right to submit such claims again, e.g., in a continuing application.

1-46. (Canceled)

Please add the following new claims:

47. (New) Apparatus comprising:

a messaging application program interface (API), a network interface, a messaging facility, and remote enterprise applications, the API and network interface interfacing the messaging facility with the remote enterprise applications;

plural sender computers, each of the plural sender computers comprising a message compose mechanism to compose a message and compose a corresponding designation, the corresponding designation comprising destination information identifying (i) a set of multiple human recipients and (ii) different modalities for transmitting messages to respective ones of the multiple human recipients;

the API comprising a message and designation receive mechanism to receive, from the remote enterprise applications via

the network connection, the message and corresponding designation;  
and

the API comprising a messaging facility direction mechanism to direct the messaging facility to effect transmission of each of the messages to their corresponding destinations in accordance with their corresponding designations.

48. (New) The apparatus according to claim 47, wherein the message comprises all content of a message to be delivered.

49. (New) The apparatus according to claim 48, wherein the remote enterprise applications are coupled to the messaging facility via the Internet through the network interface.

50. (New) The apparatus according to claim 49, wherein the API comprises an API portion of a messaging facility processing platform.

51. (New) The apparatus according to claim 50, wherein the messaging facility processing platform comprises a server.

52. (New) The apparatus according to claim 50, wherein the network connection comprises an Internet connection.

53. (New) The apparatus according to claim 52, wherein the Internet connection is part of the network interface forming part of the messaging facility processing platform.

54. (New) The apparatus according to claim 52, wherein the messaging facility processing platform comprises a server.

55. (New) The apparatus according to claim 53, wherein the different modalities comprise, for each individual recipient of the set of multiple recipients, a set of corresponding modalities for transmitting the message to the individual recipient.

56. (New) The apparatus according to claim 55, wherein the different modalities comprise at least two of email, fax, voice telephone, and pager.